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Report of the Secretary-General

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* A/48/150 and Corr.1.

I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its forty-seventh session, the General Assembly adopted resolution 47/39 of 30 November 1992, entitled "Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction", which reads, inter alia, as follows:

> "The General Assembly,
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> "...
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> "Welcoming the invitation of the President of the French Republic to participate in a ceremony to sign the Convention in Paris on 13 January 1993,
>
> "1. Commends the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, as contained in the report of the Conference on Disarmament;
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> "2. Requests the Secretary-General, as Depositary of the Convention, to open it for signature in Paris on 13 January 1993;
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> "3. Calls upon all States to sign and, thereafter, according to their respective constitutional processes, to become parties to the Convention at the earliest possible date, thus contributing to its rapid entry into force and to the early achievement of universal adherence;
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> "4. Also calls upon all States to ensure the effective implementation of this unprecedented, global, comprehensive and verifiable multilateral disarmament agreement, thereby enhancing cooperative multilateralism as a basis for international peace and security;
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> "5. Also requests the Secretary-General to provide such services as may be requested by the signatory States to initiate the work of the Preparatory Commission for the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons;
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> "6. Further requests the Secretary-General, as Depositary of the Convention, to report to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session on the status of signatures and ratifications of the Convention."

2. Pursuant to the resolution, the Secretary-General, in his capacity as Depositary of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, opened the Convention for signature in Paris on 13 January 1993. The signing ceremony was held in Paris from 13 to 15 January 1993 and 130 Governments signed the Convention at that time. The Convention is open for signature at United Nations Headquarters, New York.

3. As at 15 August 1993, the Convention had been signed by 148 States, and 4 States had ratified it. The status of signatures and ratifications of the

Convention for the period under review, that is from 13 January to 15 August 1993, is indicated in section II of the present report.

II. STATUS OF SIGNATURES AND RATIFICATIONS OF THE CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, STOCKPILING AND USE OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION

(i) Signatures affixed on the original of the Convention deposited with the Secretary-General.

(ii) Instruments of ratification deposited with the Secretary-General.

State	(i) Signature	(ii) Ratification
Afghanistan	14 January 1993	-
Albania	14 January 1993	-
Algeria	13 January 1993	-
Argentina	13 January 1993	-
Armenia	19 March 1993	-
Australia	13 January 1993	-
Austria	13 January 1993	-
Azerbaijan	13 January 1993	-
Bahrain	24 February 1993	-
Bangladesh	14 January 1993	-
Belarus	14 January 1993	-
Belgium 1/	13 January 1993	-
Benin	14 January 1993	-
Bolivia	14 January 1993	-
Brazil	13 January 1993	-
Brunei Darussalam	13 January 1993	-
Bulgaria	13 January 1993	-
Burkina Faso	14 January 1993	-
Burundi	15 January 1993	-
Cambodia	15 January 1993	-
Cameroon	14 January 1993	-
Canada	13 January 1993	-
Cape Verde	15 January 1993	-
Central African Republic	14 January 1993	-
Chile	14 January 1993	-
China 2/	13 January 1993	-
Colombia	13 January 1993	-
Comoros	13 January 1993	-
Congo	15 January 1993	-
Cook Islands	14 January 1993	-
Costa Rica	14 January 1993	-
Côte d'Ivoire	13 January 1993	-
Croatia	13 January 1993	-
Cuba	13 January 1993	-
Cyprus	13 January 1993	-
Czech Republic	14 January 1993	-
Denmark 1/	14 January 1993	-

State	(i) Signature	(ii) Ratification
Dominica	2 August 1993	-
Dominican Republic	13 January 1993	-
Ecuador	14 January 1993	-
El Salvador	14 January 1993	-
Equatorial Guinea	14 January 1993	-
Estonia	14 January 1993	-
Ethiopia	14 January 1993	-
Fiji	14 January 1993	20 January 1993
Finland	14 January 1993	-
France 1/	13 January 1993	-
Gabon	13 January 1993	-
Gambia	13 January 1993	-
Georgia	14 January 1993	-
Germany 1/	13 January 1993	-
Ghana	14 January 1993	-
Greece 1/	13 January 1993	-
Guatemala	14 January 1993	-
Guinea	14 January 1993	-
Guinea-Bissau	14 January 1993	-
Haiti	14 January 1993	-
Holy See	14 January 1993	-
Honduras	13 January 1993	-
Hungary	13 January 1993	-
Iceland	13 January 1993	-
India	14 January 1993	-
Indonesia	13 January 1993	-
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	13 January 1993	-
Ireland 1/	14 January 1993	-
Israel	13 January 1993	-
Italy 1/	13 January 1993	-
Japan	13 January 1993	-
Kazakhstan	14 January 1993	-
Kenya	15 January 1993	-
Kuwait	27 January 1993	-
Kyrgyzstan	22 February 199	-
Latvia	6 May 1993	-
Lao People's Democratic Republic	12 May 1993	-
Liberia	15 January 1993	-
Liechtenstein	21 July 1993	
Lithuania	13 January 1993	-
Luxembourg 1/	13 January 1993	-
Madagascar	15 January 1993	-
Malawi	14 January 1993	-
Malaysia	13 January 1993	-
Mali	13 January 1993	-
Malta	13 January 1993	-
Marshall Islands	13 January 1993	-
Mauritania	13 January 1993	-
Mauritius	14 January 1993	9 February 1993
Mexico	13 January 1993	-

State	(i) Signature	(ii) Ratification
Micronesia (Federated States of)	13 January 1993	-
Monaco	13 January 1993	-
Mongolia	14 January 1993	-
Morocco	13 January 1993	-
Myanmar	14 January 1993	-
Namibia	13 January 1993	-
Nauru	13 January 1993	-
Nepal	19 January 1993	-
Netherlands 1/	14 January 1993	-
New Zealand	14 January 1993	-
Nicaragua	9 March 1993	-
Niger	14 January 1993	-
Nigeria	13 January 1993	-
Norway	13 January 1993	-
Oman	2 February 199	-
Pakistan	13 January 1993	-
Panama	16 June 1993	-
Papua New Guinea	14 January 1993	-
Paraguay	14 January 1993	-
Peru	14 January 1993	-
Philippines	13 January 1993	-
Poland	13 January 1993	-
Portugal 1/	13 January 1993	-
Qatar	1 February 199	-
Republic of Korea	14 January 1993	-
Republic of Moldova	13 January 1993	-
Romania	13 January 1993	-
Russian Federation	13 January 1993	-
Rwanda	17 May 1993	-
Saint Lucia	29 March 1993	-
Samoa	14 January 1993	-
San Marino	13 January 1993	-
Saudi Arabia	20 January 1993	-
Senegal	13 January 1993	-
Seychelles	15 January 1993	7 April 1993
Sierra Leone	15 January 1993	-
Singapore	14 January 1993	-
Slovakia	14 January 1993	-
Slovenia	14 January 1993	-
South Africa	14 January 1993	-
Spain 1/	13 January 1993	-
Sri Lanka	14 January 1993	-
Sweden	13 January 1993	17 June 1993
Switzerland	14 January 1993	-
Tajikistan	14 January 1993	-
Thailand	14 January 1993	-
Togo	13 January 1993	-
Tunisia	13 January 1993	-
Turkey	14 January 1993	-
Uganda	14 January 1993	-

State	(i) Signature	(ii) Ratification
Ukraine	13 January 1993	-
United Arab Emirates	2 February 1993	-
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland 1/	13 January 1993	-
United States of America	13 January 1993	-
Uruguay	15 January 1993	-
Venezuela	14 January 1993	-
Viet Nam	13 January 1993	-
Yemen	8 February 1993	-
Zaire	14 January 1993	-
Zambia	13 January 1993	-
Zimbabwe	13 January 1993	-

1/ With a declaration (see note 1 below).

2/ With a declaration (see note 2 below).

Notes:

1. Upon signature, the Governments of Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Spain and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland made, mutatis mutandis, the following declaration:

"As a Member State of the European Community, the [name of State] will implement the provisions of the Convention on the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, in accordance with its obligations arising from the rules of the Treaties establishing the European Communities to the extent that such rules are applicable."

2. Upon signature, the Government of China made the following declaration:

[Original: Chinese]

"I. China has consistently stood for the complete prohibition and thorough destruction of all chemical weapons and their production facilities. The Convention constitutes the legal basis for the realization of this goal. China therefore supports the object and purpose and principles of the Convention.

"II. The object and purpose and principles of the Convention should be strictly abided by. The relevant provisions on challenge inspection should not be abused to the detriment of the security interests of States Parties unrelated to chemical weapons. Otherwise the universality of the Convention is bound to be adversely affected.

"III. States Parties that have abandoned chemical weapons on the territories of other States Parties should implement in earnest the

relevant provisions of the Convention and undertake the obligation to destroy the abandoned chemical weapons.

"IV. The Convention should effectively facilitate trade, scientific and technological exchanges and cooperation in the field of chemistry for peaceful purposes. All export controls inconsistent with the Convention should be abolished."